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# Medical Officer's Report.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH,

*May, 1939.*

## To the Chairman and Councillors of the Urban District of Irthlingborough.

MR. CHAIRMAN, MRS. PALMER, AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present to you the Annual Report on the state of the Public Health for the Urban District of Irthlingborough for the year 1938. The report is drawn up in accordance with the suggestions issued by the Ministry of Health in Circular 1728.

### General Statistics.

Area (in acres)	...	...	...	...	2,922
Population. Census, 1931	...	...	...	...	4,715
Population. Registrar-General's Estimate Mid 1938.					4,500
Number of Inhabited houses. 31/12/38. (rate books)					1,375
Total Rateable Value. 31/12/38.	...	...	...	...	£18,982
Sum represented by a penny rate	...	...	...	...	£74

### Social Conditions.

The Manager of the Employment Exchange has kindly supplied me with the following information.

"The unemployment position as regards the year 1938 was as follows. Of an insured population of 2,500 4% were unemployed in the month of January, this figure steadily increased to 7% by the month of June. From June a fall in the figures brought the numbers of unemployed back to 4% at the end of the year.

The main industries carried on in the area and the numbers employed in each are as follows.

Industry.	Percentage employed.					
Boot and Shoe	44 per cent of insured population.					
Leather Dressing	18	..	..	..	..	..
Laundry	13	..	..	..	..	..
Iron Mining	8	..	..	..	..	..
Building	7	..	..	..	..	..
Distributive Trades	3	..	..	..	..	..
Farming	3	..	..	..	..	..
Miscellaneous	4	..	..	..	..	..



### Extracts from Vital Statistics.

		Total.	Males.	Females.
<b>Live Births.</b>	Legitimate	56	28	28
	Illegitimate	2	1	1
Total		58	29	29

The Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated population was 12·8 as compared with 15·1 for England and Wales.

		Total.	Males.	Females.
<b>Still Births.</b>	Legitimate	1	1	—
	Illegitimate	—	—	—
Total		1	1	—

Rate per 1,000 (live and still) births 16·9.

### Deaths.

Total.	Males.	Females.
55	23	32

The crude death rate per 1,000 population for the year 1938 was 12·2 which, multiplied by the comparability factor 1·02 supplied by the Registrar-General, gave a corrected death rate of 12·44 as compared with 11·6 for England and Wales. This death rate of 12·44 is the rate which, it is assumed would be arrived at if the age and sex constitution of the population of Irthlingborough were distributed in the same proportion as that of England and Wales as a whole.

### Deaths from Puerperal Causes.

Puerperal Sepsis	Nil
Other puerperal causes	Nil

### Death rate of infants under one year of age.

All infants per 1,000 live births	51·7
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	51·7
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	Nil
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	.. ... 5
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	... ... Nil
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	... ... Nil
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under two years of age)	... Nil

### Population.

The estimated population for the year 1938 is 4,500. This shows an increase of 16 as compared with the estimate for last year.

### Local Birth Rate.

The total number of live births in the area was 58. This gives a local Birth Rate of 12·8 as compared with 14·94 for

1937. This being a decrease of 2·14 per 1,000 of the estimated population.

The total number of still births in the area was one, giving a local rate of 0·22 per 1,000 live births as compared with 0·60 for England and Wales.

The following table shows in detail the causes of death as returned by the Registrar-General.

Cause of Death.	Male.	Female.	Total.
All causes ... ..	23	32	55
1. Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers	—	—	—
2. Measles ... ..	—	—	—
3. Scarlet Fever ... ..	—	—	—
4. Whooping Cough ... ..	—	—	—
5. Diphtheria ... ..	—	1	1
6. Influenza ... ..	—	—	—
7. Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	—	—	—
8. Cerebro-spinal Fever ... ..	—	—	—
9. Tuberculosis of the respiratory system ... ..	3	—	3
10. Other Tuberculosis ... ..	—	—	—
11. Syphilis ... ..	—	—	—
12. G.P.I. Tabes Dorsalis etc. ... ..	—	—	—
13. Cancer ... ..	1	4	5
14. Diabetes ... ..	—	—	—
15. Cerebral Haemorrhage ... ..	—	7	7
16. Heart Disease ... ..	9	8	17
17. Aneurysm ... ..	—	—	—
18. Other Circulatory Diseases ... ..	2	—	2
19. Bronchitis ... ..	—	1	1
20. Pneumonia (all Forms) ... ..	2	1	3
21. Other Respiratory Diseases ... ..	1	—	1
22. Peptic Ulcer ... ..	—	—	—
23. Diarrhoea (under two years of age) ... ..	—	—	—
24. Appendicitis ... ..	—	—	—
25. Cirrhosis of Liver ... ..	—	—	—
26. Other Diseases of the Liver ... ..	—	—	—
27. Other Digestive diseases ... ..	—	—	—
28. Acute and Chronic Nephritis ... ..	—	—	—
29. Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	—	—	—
30. Other puerperal causes ... ..	—	—	—
31. Congenital Debility, etc. ... ..	2	1	3
32. Senility ... ..	—	3	3
33. Suicide ... ..	—	1	1
34. Other violence ... ..	—	—	—
35. Other defined diseases ... ..	2	4	6
36. Ill defined or not known ... ..	1	1	2

## **General Provision of Health Services.**

The Public Health Officers of the Authority are :—  
Medical Officer of Health (who is also Assistant County Medical Officer of Health).

David A. McCracken M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. (Glasg).  
(from March 1939).

Sanitary Inspector and Surveyor.

Edward Turnbull, A.R.San.I., M.S.I.A.

In each case a proportion of the salary is recoverable from the Exchequer Grants through the County Council.

Hospitals provided or subsidised by the Local Authority or by the County Council.

A. (1) Fever. Nil. (2) Smallpox. Nil.

By arrangement with the Wellingborough Isolation Hospital Committee, cases of Infectious Disease may be admitted when necessary, to the Wellingborough Isolation Hospital.

B. (1) Tuberculosis.

The County Council Sanatorium Rushden, is available for the reception of cases from this area.

(2) Maternity.—Under the County Council Scheme, abnormal cases and cases in which the home conditions are unsatisfactory may be sent to Northampton or Kettering General Hospitals.

(3) Orthopaedic Cases from this area are sent to the Manfield Orthopaedic Hospital Northampton.

Illegitimate infants and homeless children may be admitted to one of the Cottage Homes of the Public Assistance Committee. Isolation Hospital Accommodation. Application has been made to the Minister of Health for an Order constituting a United District for the purpose of the provision of Hospital Accommodation for cases of Infectious Disease under the Public Health Act, 1936, Section 6. The proposed Scheme is to set up an Eastern Northamptonshire Joint Hospital Board for the provision of Hospital Accommodation for the united districts of the Borough of Higham Ferrers, Urban Districts of Irthlingborough, Oundle, Raunds, Rushden and Wellingborough and the Rural Districts of Oundle and Thrapston, and Wellingborough. At the end of the year a Local Inquiry to be held by one of the Medical Officers of the Ministry of Health was pending. This proposed Order is a very definite step towards the betterment of the Public Health Services of the District by providing proper isolation facilities and removing the necessity of having cases of Infectious Disease treated in their own homes.



### **Ambulance Facilities.**

Cases of Infectious Disease requiring institutional treatment are removed by the Fever Hospital Ambulance.

Non infectious cases and accidents are removed by the ambulance of the Irthlingborough Corps of St. John Ambulance Brigade. The work done by the Corps is invaluable and its members may be commended for the rapidity and skill with which they carry out such removals. The Corps provided a modern ambulance in 1937, the cost of which was met by public subscription.

### **Clinics and Treatment Centres in the Area.**

#### **Infant Welfare Centre.**

An Infant Welfare Centre is held in St. Peter's Schools on the first and third Tuesdays in each month. It is under the administration of the County Council. The Medical Officer who attended once a month is a member of the County Council Public Health Staff and she was assisted in the work of the Clinic by the Health Visitor, the District Nurse and a Committee of Ladies.

Day Nurseries.

School Clinics.

Tuberculosis Dispensaries.

Treatment Centres for Venereal Disease.

} Nil.

#### **Tuberculosis.**

Tuberculosis patients are sent to the Dispensary, Midland Road, Wellingborough for consultation with the County Tuberculosis Officer. A new dispensary is in the course of erection and will be available for use early in 1939.

Institutional accommodation is provided by the County Council at the Rushden House Sanatorium.

#### **Venereal Disease.**

Venereal cases requiring treatment are sent to the special Clinic held at the Northampton General Hospital.

### **Summary of Nursing Arrangements, etc.**

The nursing duties of the town are carried out by the Irthlingborough Hospital and Nursing Association. The Association employs one Nurse-Midwife, who has done excellent work during the year. No special provision is made for the nursing of infectious disease.

There are no unqualified or independent midwives practising in the town.

#### **Laboratory Work.**

During the year the Pathological and Bacteriological work for the district has been done by the Pathological

Department of the General Hospital Northampton and the Clinical Research Association Ltd.

A stock of Diphtheria Anti-toxin is available at the Council Offices and is provided free of charge to the Medical Practitioners of the District.

### **Legislation in Force.**

There are no local acts or special orders in force in the district. The only Adoptive Act is Part 3 of the Public Health Act, 1890.

### **Sanitary Circumstances of the Area.**

#### **Water.**

During the year 1938 the chlorination and filtration plant has continued to work satisfactorily. Bacteriological examinations of water samples were made on six occasions (3 before and 3 after filtration) during the year and the water was found to be of good quality.

Copy of Examination.

Sample taken after chlorination, coagulation with sulphate of alumina, filtration and de-chlorination through activated carbon.

Number of colonies on Agar after

48 hours at 37 deg. C. ... Nil per c.c.

Number of colonies on Agar after

72 hours at 22 deg. C. ... 1 per c.c.

Coliform organisms absent in 10 c.c. (5 tubes)

1 c.c. (5 tubes)

1/10 c.c. (5 tubes)

Remarks : This sample is satisfactory for a public water supply.

#### **Drainage and Sewerage.**

All the houses and factories in the district are on the water carriage system.

During the year good progress has been made with the construction of the new sewage disposal works at the Council's farm, Addington Road. The new works consist of settlement tanks, primary and secondary percolating filters and humus tanks. The effluent will be discharged into the River Nene to the east of the present outfall sewer. It is contemplated that the new works will be in operation early in 1939.

#### **Scavenging.**

See Sanitary Inspector's Report.

#### **Housing.**

A detailed inspection of the housing conditions in the district was undertaken by my predecessor, Dr. J. A. Roughead now Senior Assistant County Medical Officer of Health who

presented to the Local Authority a detailed statement of the dwelling-houses considered to be unfit for human habitation. The following method of classification was employed during the survey.

Group I. Houses which should be demolished as part of a Clearance Area. Housing Act 1936. Section 25.

Group II. Demolition but radical reconstruction or an undertaking not to use the house for human habitation might be accepted as an alternative.

Group III. Demolition, but a postponement is recommended on account of exceptional circumstances, which are specified.

Group IV. Reconditioning or general repairs required. Housing Act, 1936. Section 9.

The total number of houses inspected during the survey was 482.

The following table shows that there were 74 houses erected in the district during the year.

Number of houses erected during the year.

Total	...	...	...	...	74
By the Local Authority	...	...	...	...	60
By private enterprise	...	...	...	...	14

### Prevalence and Control over Infectious Disease.

The total number of cases of Infectious Diseases, excluding tuberculosis notified during the year was 17. This figure compares with 19 for 1937.

### Infectious Diseases notified during the year 1938.

Disease	At all ages.	Under 1 year	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-35	35-45	45-65	65 and over.	Cases admitted to Hospital.	Total Deaths.
Small Pox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever	6	—	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	Nil	Nil
Diphtheria	5	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	1	1
Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	—	3
Erysipelas	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	Nil	Nil



### Comparison of Notification Rates.

Disease			Rates per 1,000 population	
			England and Wales	Irthlingborough
Scarlet Fever	...	...	2·41	1·33
Diphtheria	...	...	1·58	1·11
Pneumonia	...	...	1·10	1·11
Erysipelas	...	...	0·4	0·22

### Ophthalmia Neonatorum.

No cases were notified during the year.

### Tuberculosis.

New Cases and Mortality during 1938.

Age Periods	New Cases				Deaths			
	Respiratory		Non Respiratory		Respiratory		Non Respiratory	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
25	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
35	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
45	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
65 & up.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	1	1	1	—	3	—	—	—

### Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations 1925, and Public Health Act, 1936, Section 172.

No action was taken under these regulations or this Act during the year.



In conclusion I wish to thank the Members and Officers of the Council for their help and assistance afforded to me since my appointment as Medical Officer of Health, in March 1939.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

D. A. McCracken.



# Sanitary Inspector's Report.

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COUNCIL OFFICES,  
HIGH STREET,  
IRTHLINGBOROUGH.

*June, 1939.*

## **To the Chairman and Members of the Irthlingborough Urban District Council.**

MR. CHAIRMAN, MRS. PALMER AND GENTLEMEN,

I beg to submit for your consideration my Annual Report of the sanitary conditions of the Urban District of Irthlingborough, and of the work executed under the provisions of the Public Health Acts and other Acts, for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

### **House Refuse Collection and Disposal.**

584½ loads of refuse have been collected during the year and disposed of on the Hayway Tip. The refuse is kept covered down with ashes and clinker which is obtained from the local factories, and earth is also used when conveniently obtainable.

A nuisance from crickets breeding in the tip was dealt with by the application of creosote. This was done late in the year, and no further nuisance has been observed.

All the properties in the town are provided with dustbins, and it would appear that owners are "dustbin concious," as it was found necessary to serve only three notices calling for replacement of five defective bins.

### **Infectious Diseases.**

Visits were made in connection with six cases of Scarlet Fever, five cases of Diphtheria and one case of Erysipelas. Three of the cases of Scarlet Fever and one case of Diphtheria were removed to the Wellingborough Isolation Hospital, all other cases being isolated in their own homes. The aforementioned cases of Diphtheria are the first to be notified since January, 1932.

Fumigation of fifteen premises was carried out, and in all cases disinfectant liquid and soap was supplied to occupiers.

Bedding was destroyed and compensation paid to the owners after five cases of Cancer and one case of Tuberculosis.

### **Sewers and Ventilating Shafts.**

639 yards of 15 inch diameter sewer on the March Lane outfall has been scraped. All ventilating shafts are in good working condition.

**Complaints.**

Twenty-one complaints have been received and dealt with informally.

**Slaughterhouses.**

**Public Health (Meat) Regulations, 1924.**

There are four Slaughterhouses registered, and all are kept in a cleanly condition. One notice to effect repairs was promptly attended to by the owner.

Under the provisions of the Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933, twelve Slaughtermen's Licences have been renewed and one new licence issued.

The resolution of the Council applying Section 1 of the Slaughter of Animals Act, requiring the use of the humane killer in the slaughter of sheep, ewes, wethers, rams and lambs, came into operation on the 1st January, 1938, and it is observed that slaughtermen are complying with the Act.

**Carcases Inspected and Condemned.**

		Cattle excluding Cows			Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
		Cows	Cows	Calves		
Number Inspected ...	...	126	Nil	3	160	124
All diseases except Tuberculosis :						
Whole carcasses condemned ...		Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...		2	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Percentage of the number in- spected affected with disease other than tuberculosis ...		1·6	Nil	Nil	Nil	0·8
Tuberculosis only :						
Whole carcasses condemned ...		Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...		Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Percentage of the number in- spected affected with tuber- culosis. ... ..		Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

**Paving of Backyards and Passages.**

Six notices have been served in connection with the paving of yards adjoining dwelling houses, and as a result, eight have been paved with concrete, and fortyeight with tarmacadam.

**Sewage Disposal Works.**

The old works, pumping the sewage on to the farm for treatment by irrigation over the land, continued to operate satisfactorily, the new scheme of treatment through sedimentation tanks and percolating filters came into operation on the 25th March, 1939.



### **Casual Wards.**

The Casual Wards, owned and controlled by the Northamptonshire County Council, have been visited on a number of occasions and were found to be kept in a very satisfactory condition.

### **Common Lodging Houses.**

There are no Common Lodging Houses in the district.

### **Bakehouses.**

There are six bakehouses in the district, and all are kept in a satisfactory condition. There are no underground bakehouses.

### **Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops.**

The number of names on the register is as follows :—

Cowkeepers, Dairymen and Purveyors of Milk	...	5
Dairymen and Purveyors	... ..	2
Cowkeepers and Dairymen	... ..	1
Purveyors	... ..	2

Included in the above is one producer of Accredited Milk and one retailer of Pasteurised Milk.

Twentyseven samples of milk have been examined as to its cleanliness, and the classification of the results was : 22 “good,” 3 “moderate” and 2 “bad.”

### **Petroleum Acts.**

Fourteen Petroleum Licences and two Carbide of Calcium Licences have been issued. Two licences lapsed, and in one case where underground tanks were used they were filled with water.

The stores are kept in conformity with the regulations in force.

### **Factories Act, 1937.**

Five lists of outworkers have been received, giving notice of eleven outworkers engaged on work connected with the boot and shoe industry, and three engaged in the manufacture of clothing.

Six notices have been served to owners calling for repairs to sanitary conveniences, one notice requiring white-washing of sanitary conveniences, and one notice requiring satisfactory ventilation to sanitary conveniences.

### **Water Supply.**

The water supply continues to be well maintained, and the supply has always been able to meet all demands. Consumption was 72,864,000 gallons, an increase of 7,058,000 gallons or 10·7% over that of the previous year. Average

consumption per head per day for domestic purposes was 15·5 gallons and 44·4 gallons per head per day for all purposes.

Services have been installed in 70 houses and two other premises, 11 extensions have been made to existing services.

### **Rivers and Streams.**

No action was found necessary to check the pollution of rivers and streams in the area.

### **Swimming Baths and Pools.**

There are no public or privately owned swimming baths or pools in the area.

### **Eradication of Bed Bugs.**

No action was called for in connection with the eradication of bed bugs. One house infested with fleas was fumigated with a proprietary vermin disinfestator, followed up by spraying with insecticide, the results proved very successful.

### **Public Schools.**

The sanitary arrangements were found to be kept in a satisfactory condition.

### **Public Urinals.**

The urinals attached to the various public houses, etc., are kept in good condition.

### **Notices Served.**

23 informal notices were served upon owners and agents respecting nuisances.

### **Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919.**

Payment at the rate of 1d. per rat was made in respect of 348 rats destroyed, with the exception of National Rat Week, when the payment was 3d. per rat, and the remainder of October and November 2d. per rat.

### **Drainage.**

Thirteen choked drains have received attention. Thirteen W.C. Flushing Cisterns have been installed under the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1936, Section 47. Water tests have been applied to new drains at 74 houses and other properties.

The drains at four houses in Addington Road have been disconnected from cesspits and connected to the main sewer.

### **Smoke Abatement.**

Action was taken in the case of three smoke nuisances.

### **Rag and Flock Acts, 1911 and 1928.**

There are no premises in the district in which rag flock is manufactured, used or sold.

### **Shops Act, 1934.**

It has not been found necessary to take any action under this Act.

### **Council Housing Scheme.**

The following are the details of the Council's Housing Schemes at the close of 1938 :—

Finedon Road	...	Houses erected and occupied	25
Cherry Street	...	„ „ „	16
Hayway	...	„ „ „	52
Allen Road	...	„ „ „	100
Spencer Road	...	„ „ „	8
Wellingboro' Rd....		„ „ „	6
Nicholas Road	...	„ „ „	50
John Pyel Road	...	„ „ „	10
			<hr/> 267

Included in the above are 60 houses erected during the year to meet local requirements.

In conclusion, I should like to express my thanks for the support I have received from the Sanitary Committee and the Council, also for the assistance I have received from other officers of the Council.

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

E. TURNBULL, A.R.SAN.I., M.S.I.A.,  
*Certified Sanitary Inspector.*

**Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, and the Factories Act, 1937 (which superseded the Act of 1901 on 1st July, 1938).**

**1. Inspections** (for the purpose of provisions as to health).

Premises. (1)	Number of		
	Inspections (2)	Written Notices (3)	Occupiers prosecuted (4)
<b>Factories</b> with mechanical power ... ..	49	7	—
<b>Factories</b> without mechanical power ... ..	3	—	—
<b>Other Premises</b> under the Act (including works of building and engineering construction, but not including outworkers' premises).	3	—	—
<b>Total</b> ... ..	54	7	—

**2. Defects Found.**

Particulars. (1)	Number of Defects.			Number of defects in respect of which prosecutions were instituted (5)
	Found (2)	Rem- edied (3)	Referred to H.M. Inspector (4)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1.) ...	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2.) ... ..	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4.) ...	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6.)	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7.)				
Insufficient ... ..	—	—	—	—
Unsuitable or defective ...	8	8	—	—
not separate for sexes ...	—	—	—	—
Other offences ... ..	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b> ... ..	8	8	—	—



## **Housing Statistics.**

### **I. Inspection of dwelling-houses during the Year :—**

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) ... ..	506
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ... ..	542
(2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925. ... ..	23
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ... ..	23
(3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation ... ..	158
(4) Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceeding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation ... ..	348

### **II. Remedy of Defects during the year without the service of formal Notices :—**

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers ... ..	6
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### **III. Action under Statutory Powers during the year :—**

#### **A. Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936 :—**

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ... ..	17
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :—	
(a) By owners... ..	7
(b) By local authority in default of owners	Nil

#### **B. Proceedings under Public Health Acts :—**

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied ... ..	6
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :	
(a) By owners... ..	Nil
(b) By local authority in default of owners	Nil

**C. Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936 :—**

- |   |     |     |     |
|---|-----|-----|-----|
| (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made | ... | ... | Nil |
| (2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders    | ... | ... | Nil |

**D. Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936 :—**

- |  |     |     |     |     |     |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made   | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil |
| (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil |

**IV. Housing Act, 1936—Part IV., Overcrowding :—**

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| (a) (1) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year   | ... | ... | ... | Nil |
| (2) Number of families dwelling therein  | ... | Nil |     |     |
| (3) Number of persons dwelling therein   | ... | Nil |     |     |
| (b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year   | ... | ... | ... | Nil |
| (c) (1) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year   | ... | ... | ... | Nil |
| (2) Number of persons concerned in such cases  | ... | Nil |     |     |
| (d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding | ... | ... | —   |     |



